

UNIT 12

REPORT TEXT

Report text is a type of writing that aims to convey information to readers about the results of some researches. Usually, report text is confused with descriptive text, but actually these two texts are different. Report Text is included in the descriptive text which has a function to describe something whether it is objects, living things or general phenomenon. Meanwhile, the descriptive text describes a more specific phenomenon. For example, you will talk about bicycles. So in the descriptive text, you are referring to certain types of bicycles such as racing bikes which are accompanied by their special characteristics.

A report usually consists of two main parts:

- General classification, an introduction to the phenomena to be discussed
- Description, explain the phenomenon discussed. Includes parts, quality, and behavior.

Held annually as a community celebration, Dieng Festival presents various art and cultural performances, Dieng's finest products exhibition, and to top it all is the unique **dreadlock** kids' ritual ceremonies (or *Ruwatan anak gembel/gimba*).

The Festival features Dieng's own **distinct** traditional art forms such as the *Rodad* Dance, *Lengger* Dance, *Rampak Yakso*, *Warokan*, *Barongsai*, *Cakil* Dance, and *Wayang Kulit* or Javanese leather puppets show. Among the most interesting products that will be presented in the exhibition are the unique Mountain Papaya or *Carica*, and the highly nutritious herbal *Purwaceng*.

As main feature of the festival, the ceremonies of shaving off the hair of dreadlock kids are **truly** exceptional. While globally dreadlock hair is **commonly** known as Rastafarian style from

Jamaica, in the highlands of Dieng, dreadlock, or matted hair is not a chosen style but rather a mystical feature which only occur in children. Dieng's dreadlocks children are born normal, however at one point, their hair amazingly turns dreadlock by itself. Various studies to scientifically investigate the cause have not found any logical explanations for the dreadlocks growth. According to local believe, these kids are somehow chosen by their ancestors to hold these gifts, and that the dreadlock must not be trimmed until the children ask for it, or the hair will continue to grow back. The precious moments when these dreadlock kids are shaven are celebrated in a series of ritual ceremonies known as the *ruwatan anak gimbal*.

The ceremonies will commence with the procession of the dreadlock kids around the village. The kids will be paraded on a Javanese traditional horse drawn carriage or *Dokar* guarded by *Manggala Yudha* or royal troops and followed by various traditional art processions. The special kids will then be taken to the Arjuna Temple in the Dieng Temple complex where the ritual of the dreadlock hair cutting will take place. Subsequently, the hair will be taken to the lake and submerged as symbol of returning the hair to the ancestors.

1. The suitable title for the text above is _____
 - A. Dieng Cultural Festival
 - B. Dieng Traditional Dances
 - C. Dieng Temple Complex
 - D. Dreadlock Hairstyle

2. What is the main idea of the last paragraph?
 - A. The ritual of cutting the children's dreadlock is exceptional
 - B. A Javanese traditional horse-drawn carriage us called *Dokar*
 - C. Dieng people have their own troops of army

D. The ritual is long and complicated process

